Late Backup

October 16, 2013

RE: Letter Requesting Denial of C14-2013-0060

Dear Mayor, Mayor Pro Tem and Councilmembers:

We are requesting you to vote against C14-2013-0060 Bluff Springs Foodmart located at 7101 Bluff Springs. Dove Springs is saturated with unhealthy food choices and we need better choices for our youth. Currently, Dove Springs has the highest youth obesity in the City of Austin. We feel it is imperative for this item to be defeated to ensure our neighborhood and youth will not have another unhealthy choice provided by business. This foodmart would be close to Langford Elementary School, a neighborhood park and will sell alcohol, pipes which could be used for drug use and other drug paraphernalia. We have asked the store owner to sell at least 20% of healthy foods, limit alcohol sales and not to sell any pipes which could be used for drug use.

Dove Springs Proud

The Store Owner has been approached several times regarding our concern and has refused to work with us on our concerns.

The Dove Springs Proud organization vision is to make Dove Springs the best neighborhood in Austin. The Mission is to bring together everyone who lives, has lived, grew up or works in Dove Springs in order to give back to our neighborhood to ensure Dove Springs youth and families are heard and supported.

Our membership is comprised of members who include non-profit Executive Directors, residents, public officials and individuals who grew up, used to live, currently live or serve the Dove Springs neighborhood, including the President of the Dove Springs Neighborhood Association and the President of the Dove Springs Recreation Center Advisory Board.

Should you have any questions pertaining to the enclosed information, please feel free to contact me at

Sincerely,

Robert Kibbie Vice President